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## **Jersey Guard Supports Relief Effort**

Under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC), Lt. Gen. H. Steven Blum, Chief, National Guard Bureau, has authorized the National Guards in all 50 states and four territories to provide essential personnel and critical equipment support to the states affected by Hurricane Katrina through their respective state emergency management agencies.

The New Jersey National Guard has answered that call and is ready to provide personnel, equipment and assistance to those areas affected.

Currently, the states impacted by this catastrophe are assessing their situation, identifying specific needs and requesting appropriate equipment and personnel. Both New Jersey Army and Air National Guard assets have been mobilized and will be providing requested assistance.

The initial request for support centers on potable drinking water. Aircraft and personnel from the 108<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing at McGuire Air Force Base and soldiers from the 250<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion headquartered at Sea Girt are prepared to collect, package and deliver bottled water. Those citizens wishing to assist in this effort can bring only packaged bottled water in cases to the armory locations listed. Logistical restraints require that the bottled water be no smaller than case size. This can be done between 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. No other donations will be accepted at this time until we have further information on what the states need. For additional information, please contact 609 530-7010.

In addition to assisting the citizens of those devastated areas, the National Guard is a family that takes care of its own. Thousands of National Guard troops currently deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom come from those states most severely affected by Hurricane Katrina. Their own homes and families were not immune to the destruction

caused by the flooding and extremely high winds. We are equally committed to assisting our fellow citizen soldiers and the members of our extended Guard family.

### **ARMORY DROPOFFS:**

#### **NORTH**

##### **Teaneck:**

**1799 Teaneck Road  
Teaneck, NJ 07666-0687**

##### **West Orange:**

**1315 Pleasant Valley Way  
West Orange, NJ 07052-1419**

##### **Dover:**

**479 West Clinton Street  
Dover, NJ 07801-1799**

##### **Somerset:**

**1060 Hamilton Street  
Somerset, NJ 08873**

##### **Port Murray:**

**550 RT 57  
Port Murray, NJ 07865  
POC: 1SG Geisheimer or SFC Wright**

#### **CENTRAL**

##### **Lawrenceville:**

**151 Eggerts Crossing Road  
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648**

##### **Sea Girt:**

**PO Box 251  
Sea Girt, NJ 08750-0251**

## **SOUTH**

### **Woodbury:**

**658 North Evergreen Avenue  
Woodbury, NJ 08096-1399**

### **Vineland:**

**2560 South Delsea Drive  
Vineland, NJ 08360-7093**

### **Atlantic City:**

**1008 Absecon Blvd.  
Atlantic City, NJ 08401-1999**

### **Cape May:**

**600 Garden State Parkway  
Cape May Court House, NJ 08210-1699**

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